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- 1. The Chinese Communists have already begun meeting in Peiping with minor party representatives to plan for cooperation after the setting up of a coalition government. The conference is referred to as Shin Cheng Kang Ling* (施 政綱領).
- Prominent "liberals" not already there are still being summoned.** Such person at the conference are not being allowed to move freely until the end of the "military control period," which usually lasts for six months. This restriction applies also to the China Democratic League and the Kuomintang Revolutionary Committee, as well as to the Farmer-Laborer Democratic Party and such splinter groups elsewhere.
- 3. In Nanking, more than 20 representatives of these parties are being held in a former overseas Chinese hostel on Chungshan Road. The detention, which is justified on the basis of alleged danger to such personnel, is to permit no alternative to Chinese Communist plans until the eve of the formation of a coalition government. By that time, the Communists expect to have things in hand.

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Comment. This may be translated, "Principles of Government oministration" or "Outline of Administration." The phrase may apply to a plan to be prepared at the conference.

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Comment. This is confirmed by other reports. For instance, CHEN Ming-shu, LI Chi-shen representative, left Shanghai on his way north the night of 8 June.

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